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Case Docket No. 7109  
Date: December 12, 2002

THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: Application of: Ralph Michael Fay

Serial No.: 09/966,020

Filed: September 28, 2001

For: EQUIPMENT AND DUCT LINER INSULATION AND METHOD

Examiner:

Unit: 1755

Sir:

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: R. Michael Fay  
Serial No. 09/966020  
Filed: September 28, 2001  
For: Equipment and Duct Liner  
Insulation and Method

Art Unit: 1755

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December 10, 2002

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please add claims 48 and 49.

48. A resilient, polymeric fiber liner insulation, comprising:

a resilient insulation blanket core of polymeric fibers; the blanket core having a length and a width; the blanket core having first and second major surfaces defined by the length and width of the blanket; the blanket core having a thickness of about 0.5 inches or greater; the blanket core having a density between 1 pcf and 3 pcf;

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a surface layer coextensive and integral with the first major surface of the blanket core; the surface layer being less permeable than the second major surface of the blanket core and having a permeability selected to provide the polymeric fiber liner insulation with a higher noise reduction coefficient than an identical polymeric fiber insulation blanket without the surface layer; and

the polymeric fiber liner insulation having a flame spread/smoke developed index of  $\leq 25/50$ .

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